

## Message Text

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ACTION MCT-01

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FM AMEMBASSY NICOSIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 7294

AMEMBASSY CAIRO NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY DJIBOUTI IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY ALGIERS IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY BONN IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY RABAT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY SANA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI IMMEDIATE

USCINCEUR IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 0473

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, CY

SUBJECT: AIRCRAFT HIJACKING - SITREP NINE OF FEBRUARY 19

REF NICOSIA 0472

FOLLOWING SITREP NUMBER NINE AS OF 2015Z HOURS:  
FROM LOCAL INFORMATION IT NOW APPEARS THAT EGYPTIAN COMMANDO  
TEAM CAME IN TO CYPRUS GIVING ASSURANCE THAT IT WOULD NOT  
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MOVE WITHOUT GOC APPROVAL, BUT NEVERTHELESS MOVED. THIS PRE-  
CIPATED FIREFIGHT WITH CNG TROOPS. OUTCOME APPEARS TO BE  
DESTRUCTION OF EGYPTIAN AIRCRAFT, CASUALTIES ON ALL SIDES,  
DETENTION BY GOC OF SOME 30 EGYPTIAN COMMANDOS, RELEASE  
OF HOSTAGES AND DETAINMENT BY GOC OF TERRORISTS.  
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## Message Attributes

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